

**Attorney Docket No. 1064.23**  
**Confirmation No. 3792**

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re:** David Appleford  
**Serial No.:** 10/505,297  
**Filed:** 08/20/2004  
**For:** GAS SEAL SYSTEM FOR THE SHAFT OF  
AN ELECTRIC COMPRESSOR MOTOR

**Group Art Unit:** 3746  
**Examiner:** Emmanuel Sayoc

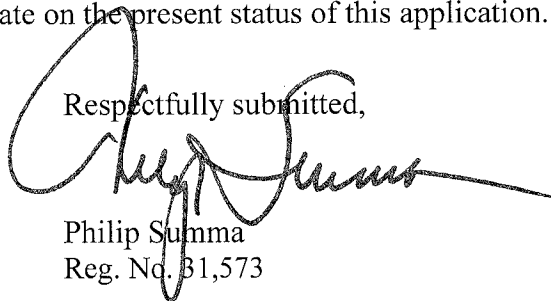
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P.O. Box 1450  
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May 25, 2006

**STATUS INQUIRY**

According to PAIR, and consistent with Applicant's records, this application was filed August 20, 2004 and scheduled to receive a first Office Action October 28, 2004. Approximately nineteen (19) months have passed since such assignment to the Examiner, and Applicant respectfully seeks an update on the present status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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